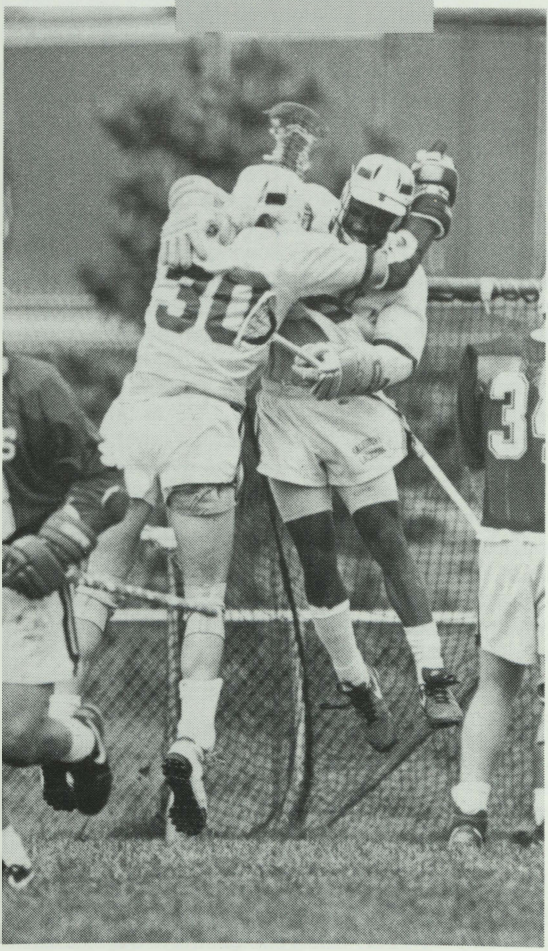
1990

Men's Lacrosse



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1990 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
MARCH		
3	**POTSDAM STATE**	1:00
7	**ALFRED UNIVERSITY**	3:00
11	Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
17	**ST. LAWRENCE (C)**	1:00
21	**LEMOYNE**	3:00
25	**CORTLAND STATE**	1:00
28	Hartwick	1:00
APRIL		
7	**GUILFORD (C)**	1:00
10	**ST. MARY'S**	3:00
14	West Chester (C)	2:00
21	Hampden Sydney	1:00
28	Washington (C)	1:30
MAY		
5	Kutztown	1:00

BOLD TYPE INDICATES HOME GAME

ASSISTANT COACHES

Kevin Gates... Serving his second year as Berkman's top assistant...Works primarily with the defense on-the-field...A former two-year defensive letterman for the Gulls in the mid-80s...Originally from Centerport, NY, he is also working on his master's in educational counseling at SSU...Helps coordinate recruiting and runs the team's plyametric conditioning program.

Andy Jones... Former SSU head coach, from '73-77, who originated the Sea Gull lacrosse program...Led the Gulls to a 29-22 overall record and two NCAA tournament appearances in four seasons...Named NCAA Division II-III Coach of the Year in 1975...Now in his sixth year as an assistant, he concentrates primarily in the development of the midfielders...A former All-American player at Lehigh University.

Jeff Ransom...A three-year starter and captain of the Gulls in '89, begins his first-season as an assistant...Will focus efforts on midfield defense and assist with close defense...Pursuing master's in educaiton...Also works with campus resident life program at SSU.

Tim Berquist... The all-time school leader in assists and a two-time All-American for the Gulls in '88 and '89...Played in prestigious North-South All-Star Classic last season...Will work with goalies and help with attack development in his first year as an assistant coach.

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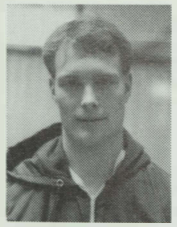

ROB LYNCH
Senior Defenseman
Centerport, NY - Harborfields HS

Two-year starter, voted the team's defensive MVP in 1989...Extremely hard worker and outstanding team leader who leads by example...Will be the anchor of the defense... Usually assigned to the opponent's top attackman...Possesses very refined stickwork for a defenseman...Those skills will be used to trigger SSU's transition game...Coaches will rely on his leadership and experience to help carry a relatively inexperienced defensive group through the early part of the season...A bona fide All-American candidate in 1990.

DAVID "BUCKY" SHARRETTS
Senior Attackman
Lutherville, MD - Towson HS

An honorable-mention All-America and SSU's offensive MVP in 1989...Tallied team-high 41 goals last season...Finished with 58 points...Outstanding shooter with excellent accuracy...A threat to score at any-time...Demonstrated team leadership during the off-season with his work in the conditioning and development programs...Loves to play the game, with a contagious enthusiasm...Exhibits selfless dedication to the team and the program...Comes from a dedicated lacrosse family...Strong contender for All-America honors again this season.

SSU All-Americans in the 80s

1980 - Lewis Scharff, Jimmy Judge, Dave Bateman
1981 - Mike Bracken, Glenn Norris, Mark Fowler, Kevin Wynne, Bo Feaga
1982 - Mark Fowler, Bucky Dennig, Brian Wynne, Bo Feaga
1983 - Richard Abel
1984 - Jim Huelskamp, Steve Hurley, Richard Abel, Kevin McFarlin
1985 - Roger Koch
1986 - Glenn Rutkowski
1987 - Peter Roskovich, Jim Sturgell
1988 - Peter Roskovich, Tim Berquist
1989 - Tim Berquist, David Sharretts, Thomas Bruchman

Season Outlook

Head Coach Jim Berkman and his staff approach the 1990 season with guarded optimism, hoping that a talented group of newcomers can quickly jell into a cohesive team. The Gulls must replace nine starters from last year's 9-5 NCAA tournament squad, but have several players who may be ready to fill the void. Graduation hit hardest among the Sea Gull midfield corps as the top two lines from last season are gone. Understandably, Berkman's primary goal in the pre-season and early season will be the development of midfield play. Senior **Geoff Abere**, last season's fourth leading point scorer, has been moved to midfield from attack. Others likely to emerge in the midfield are returning sophomore **Dan Gourley**, the team's fastest player, and several transfer players with impressive talents: **Kevin Hohner, Bob Wright** and **Tom Conroy**. Complimenting Sharretts in the attack ranks are likely to be junior **Rick Berkman**, last season's third leading scorer, as well as transfer **Rusty Pritzlaff**, a former Division I All-American from Loyola College, and last year's junior college player-of-the-year **Eric Ungliech**. Ungliech tallied over 200 points in two All-America seasons at Herkimer (NY) JC.

Joining Lynch to form the nucleus of the defense will be sophomore **Chris Andrews** and junior **Tony Sposato**. Other newcomers adding depth to the defense are likely to be freshmen **Michael Esham** and **Mike Sweeney**, along with junior college transfer **Robert Reed**. Junior **Scott Bentkowski**, who started every game in goal last season, returns in the nets, with backup from **Scott Overton**.

"We've had an outstanding recruiting class join the program this year," said Berkman. "All these newcomers may help replace the starters from last year's team, but in the end, our success will depend on how quickly they pick-up our system and how well they play together as a team."

With guarded optimism, Berkman concluded his appraisal by saying, "We have the potential to be a very competitive team."

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Sea Gull Quick Facts

Location	Salisbury, MD 21801
Founded	1925
Enrollment	5,447
President	Dr. Thomas E. Bellavance
Switchboard	(301) 543-6000
Nickname	Sea Gulls
Colors	Maroon and Gold
Affiliation	NCAA Division III
Conference	Eastern States Athletic
Athletic Director	Dr. William Lide
Athletic Dept. Phone	543-6340
Head Coach	Jim Berkman
Coach's Phone	543-6389
Sports Info. Director	G. Paul Ohanian
Sport Info. Phone	543-6016

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